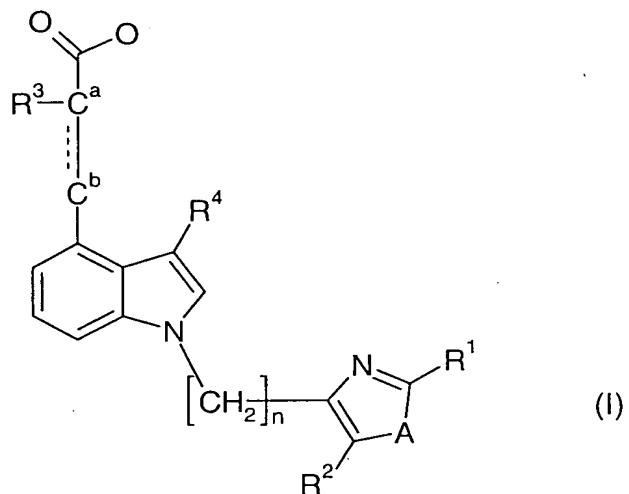


Abstract of the Invention

The present invention provides compounds of formula I



as well as pharmaceutically acceptable salts and esters thereof, wherein R^1 to R^4 , A and n have the significance given in the specification. The compounds or their salts may be administered to a patient for treating non-insulin dependent diabetes mellitus.

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